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United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.18

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

A. Requests contained in the draft resolution

1. Under the terms of operative paragraph 4 of draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.18, the General Assembly would:

Request the Secretary-General to provide all necessary support, within existing resources, to the regional centres in carrying out their programmes of activities.

B. Relationship of the requests to the programme of work

2. The request contained in operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution is associated with programme 2, Disarmament, of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005[1] and section 4, Disarmament, of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.[2]

C. Activities by which the request would be implemented

3. The implementation of the request contained in operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution, regarding the Secretary-General's provision of support to the regional centres, would be carried out within the resources provided under section 4 of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003. The provision contained

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therein covers the 3 P-5 posts of Directors of the three regional centres at Kathmandu, Lomé and Lima.

D. Modifications required in the programme of work for 2002-2003

4. Modifications would not be required to programme 2, Disarmament, of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005 or to section 4 of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, as the activities envisaged in operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution fall under subprogramme 5, Regional disarmament, of section 4.

E. Potential for absorption

5. The programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 would continue to provide for the 3 P-5 posts of Directors of the three regional centres at Kathmandu, Lomé and Lima referred to in operative paragraph 4. The programmes of activities of the three centres would continue to be financed from extrabudgetary resources. Additional requirements are therefore not expected to arise under the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

F. Indication of additional requirements

6. Accordingly, should the General Assembly approve draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.18, no additional requirements would arise under the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

Notes

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6* (A/55/6/Rev.1).

[2] A/56/6 (Sect. 4).